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SUBJECT: COLOMBO PLAN DRUG ABUSE ADVISOR

REF: JAKARTA 5536

1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED NOTE FROM INDONESIAN
EMBASSY REQUESTING USG SUPPORT FOR CANDIDACY OF
COLONEL DARMOYUMAN FOR THE COLOMBO PLAN DRUG ABUSE
ADVISOR POSITION. DEPARTMENT IN ITS REPLY STATED

" THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT IS VERY PLEASED THAT THE
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INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT HAS PUT FORWARD A WELL- QUALIFIED

CANDIDATE FOR THE DRUG ABUSE ADVISER POSITION. AS A NON- REGIONAL MEMBER OF THE COLOMBO PLAN, THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT PLAN, HOWEVER, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SELECTION OF ONE AMONG SEVERAL QUALIFIED CANDIDATES WHEN THE COUNCIL MEETS IN SPECIAL SESSION FOR THIS PURPOSE LATER THIS MONTH. THE UNITED STATES TOOK THE POSITION AT THE 22 ND CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE COLOMBO PLAN THAT BECAUSE THE NEW DRUG ABUSE ADVISER WILL NEED TO WORK MOST CLOSELY WITH ASIAN GOVERNMENTS, IT SEEMS TO THE UNITED STATES

MOST APPROPRIATE THAT HE BE FROM THE COLOMBO PLAN REGION, FAMILIAR WITH THE REGION AND ITS DEVELOPING PROBLEMS, AND ACCEPTABLE TO THE COUNTRIES OF THE REGION."

2. WE BELIEVE STRICT NEUTRALITY SHOULD BE MAINTAINED TOWARD CANDIDATES FOR POSITION OTHER THAN TO SAY WE THINK EACH IS WELL- QUALIFIED FOR CONSIDERATION (SEE STATE 87252). OUR MISSIONS IN EACH COLOMBO PLAN COUNTRY WERE REQUESTED TO APPROACH HOST GOVERNMENT TO URGE THEM TO SELECT CANDIDATES. NOW WE FEEL IT IS ENTIRELY UP TO COUNTRIES OF REGION TO DECIDE WHICH ONE OF THE PROPOSED CANDIDATES IS BEST QUALIFIED FOR THE JOB. ROGERS

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